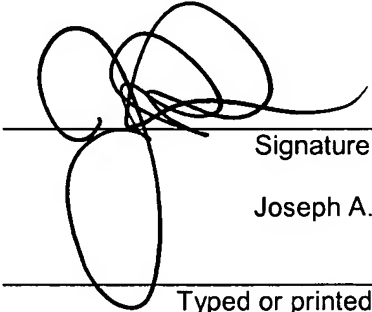


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PRE-APPEAL BRIEF REQUEST FOR REVIEW

Pursuant to the OG Notice of July 12, 2005, applicant hereby requests a pre-appeal brief review of this case for at least the following reasons.

Claim 9 stands rejected under Section 103(a) as being allegedly unpatentable over Jisaki '939 in view of a plurality of references. This Section 103(a) rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 9 and 11 require a diffuser processed layer provided only (or substantially only) in a portion corresponding to the reflective region, wherein *the diffuser comprises a plurality of light scattering particles in a resin, the particles and resin having different indices of refraction*. Thus, this cannot be a layer extending continuously across the entire panel. For example and without limitation, see the instant specification at page 26, line 21, to page 27, line 4.

Jisaki fails to disclose or suggest the above feature of claims 9 and 11. Jisaki forms bumps at the top of layer 23 to cause asperities to be formed in the reflective electrode 25 for light scattering purposes in the reflective region, but fails to disclose or suggest using layer 23 as a diffuser by providing light scattering particles in a resin. Thus, even the alleged combination fails to meet the above feature of claims 9 and 11.

Claims 10 and 12 have been amended to require that *the diffuser is located on an opposite side of the liquid crystal layer than a reflective electrode of the reflective region*. For example and without limitation, Fig. 1 of the instant application illustrates that the diffuser 122b is located on an opposite side of the liquid crystal layer 13 than a reflective electrode 144 of the reflective region. Jisaki fails to disclose or suggest this feature. Instead, Jisaki teaches directly away from this feature because Jisaki requires that layer 23 be on the same side of the liquid crystal layer as reflective pixel electrode 25. Again, even the alleged combination fails to meet this feature of claims 10 and 12.

It is respectfully requested that all rejections be withdrawn. All claims are in condition for allowance. If any minor matter remains to be resolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned with regard to the same.

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